

"LET NO GUILTY MAN ESCAPE."

The East Oregonian, published at Pendleton, Umatilla county, Oregon, by Messrs. Turner & Bull, although Democratic in politics, takes no stock in the stealings of the Grover-Chadwick administration.

Now the Committee of Investigation appointed by the last Legislature have made their report and have therein made grave charges against our late State officials almost without an exception, it is in order for said defunct officials to rise and explain.

THE VALLEY FOUNTAIN.—This neatly printed, well filled, spicy little temperance worker, J. C. Cooper editor and publisher, McMinnville, Oregon, is always welcome to our sanctum.

CHEERING.—The California Christian Advocate, (Dr. H. C. Benson, editor) of Jan. 16th, has the following cheering words relative to crop and mining prospects in our sister State.

CATTLE DYING.—The East Oregonian of Jan. 18, says: Several cattle have suffered and are suffering severely from this cold wintery weather.

CORVALLIS LIBRARY.—"What has become of the Corvallis Library Association?" is the question that next engages the attention of some of our readers.

FROM THE CAPITAL.

SALEM, Jan. 26, 1879.

EDITOR GAZETTE:—Sabbath day in Salem. Have you ever spent Sunday here, and have you a realizing sense of the tranquility and peacefulness of the place on the day in question?

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Bill Watkins is among the faithful taking notes, and, faith, he'll print 'em. He has had an accountant examining the records in the State offices for a week or more, and

is, we learn, preparing quite an elaborate statement wherein Bill Galloway will figure quite extensively, and the nature of the beast before election will be held up in comparison with it since his election.

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Ned Chamberlin, one of our most popular young men, leaves us to-day to assume a clerkship with Plünger & Comstock, of Portland.

The State work having been nominally completed, the services of several of the compositors have been dispensed with, Jackson, McClane, Thompson and Mansfield, stepping down and out.

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All these much needed bills Senator Mitchell introduced, they were PASSED—the surveys have been made, and the appropriations have been expended, or are being expended, just as the people interested desired they should be—but Scott was not the man to say so.

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Senator Mitchell has made a speech, the first ever made for a harbor of refuge on the Pacific coast. It may be "justian," "bombastic in style," "false in matter," but every California paper of prominence or influence strongly favored the bill.

LEWIS & CLARK.

DEATH OF THE LAST SURVIVOR OF THE SURVIVING PARTY THAT FIRST PENETRATED THE NORTHWESTERN TERRITORY.

[Charlottesville (Va.) Dispatch, Jan. 7.] Capt. Tom Lewis, nearly ninety years old, was found frozen to death last night in the public road in Albemarle county.

Merriweather Lewis, the oldest son of Mrs. Marks of Locust Hill, by her former marriage with Col. William Lewis, of the revolutionary army, was private secretary to President Jefferson shortly after the purchase of the Louisiana territory, and was selected to explore that territory.

1st. The case of T. M. Reed, appellant vs. S. M. Gentry, respondent, from Benton county. The decree of the Circuit Court was modified, holding that Gentry should be entitled to a judgment for \$375 00, and that Reed should be entitled to the grain in the hands of the receiver.

2nd. S. A. Heeler & Co. vs. Union county, from Union county, judgment of the Circuit Court approved, holding that the complaint did not show negligence on the part of Union county in failing to keep the bridge in repair, mentioned in the complaint. Opinion by Prim.

3rd. Samuel Rieh ap. vs. P. P. Palmer resp. from Douglas county; judgment of the Circuit Court reversed, holding that the app. had a right to redeem the land described in the complaint, from the tax sale made by the Sheriff of Douglas county, and to have the Sheriff's deed cancelled. Opinion by Boise.

4th. State of Oregon vs. Lawrence O'Neil from Douglas county; judgment of the Circuit Court, approved. Opinion by Kelly, C. J.

5th. State of Oregon vs. William Mauds, from Douglas county; judgment of the Circuit Court, approved, holding that in criminal cases, a judgment for costs should show the amount of costs, and until such amount do appear on the lien docket, the same is not a lien on the property of the defendant. Opinion by Kelly, C. J.

6th. Abner W. Smith vs. John Harris, from Benton county; judgment of the Circuit Court, approved, holding that in an action to recover damages for assaults and batteries and cruel inhuman treatment, the defendant had a right to rebut this evidence by proving general good treatments of the defendant.

This last case is one that attracted a good deal of attention at the last term of our court, and was tried with as much ability on both sides as any that has been tried for some time. Opinion by Boise, J. B.

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PHRENOLOGY.

The prosperity of the Phrenological Journal would indicate an increasing interest in this subject, and that many people have a proper appreciation of its practical value.

The work contains 350 pages, and over 150 portraits, handsomely printed and bound, and cannot be obtained except as a premium at less than retail price, \$1 50. When either of the premiums mentioned in the Phrenological Journal, should send addresses on a postal card, or accept the publishers' offer, and send ten cents—half price—for a sample number of the Journal, to S. R. Wells & Co., Publishers, 737 Broadway, N. Y.

THE WHEAT TRADE.

Ed. GAZETTE: The wheat in the valley counties, and much from Umpqua, is now rapidly changing hands, and passing away to foreign ports. Many persons hold back their wheat for near prices.

Our wheat would have brought as much last September as now. Those who stored their wheat along the railroad and rivers can sell it now, but the wheat in the granaries cannot be hauled through the deep mud, and sold at present prices.

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FRGZEN TO DEATH.

Last Monday John Ross, a Scotchman, about 47 years of age, who had been working as a shoemaker during the past year and a half for Flour & Healey, of this city, left here on foot to visit two of his old country friends living on Wild Horse creek, in Oregon.

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PACIFIC COAST.

O. C. Taylor is running three ditching machines near Junction.

Chief Moses has been let loose by orders from the Interior Department.

The Dayton News says Dayton is destined to outstrip Walla Walla.

Quincy School has resigned as principal of the school at Bethel. He will move to Salmon.

Snow six feet deep on the Blue mountains in the vicinity of the Parker wells, though only four on the summit.

Col. W. Thompson has organized three militia companies in Wasco county and expects to start several in Grant.

On account of the number of hot springs emptying into the Sprague river, in Lake county, that stream has not frozen over this winter.

The Salem Chinese mission school is prosperous, and its friends claim that it is doing much good. Its students will soon give a public exhibition.

The sheriff of Jackson county has collected up to date a little over \$11,000 of taxes due for 1876. The whole amount to be collected is \$32,135 98.

Everything frozen up in Josephine county. Illinois river is blocked up with timber, and the boat traffic is nearly paralyzed to clear it out.

Jackson Grant, the half-breed Indian who shot Sheriff Eakin last Summer, has been convicted of the murder of Dennis Spellen, and sentenced to be hung on March 23d.

La Grande Gazette: Four degrees above zero is the lowest point to which the thermometer has reached in La Grande this winter, notwithstanding the snow is about fifteen inches deep.

Salem Statesman: A young man by the name of John Carter, or John Orr, was arrested at the Salter depot Jan. 23, on a charge of forgery, he having cashed a note at Ladd & Bush's bank for \$3,500, drawn on Bates & Helmreich, of Tacoma Vista, which is claimed to be a forgery.

The citizens of So laville are taking steps to improve the condition of the soda fountain at that place. It is the intention to take away a part of the brick work now around the spring and to put down in the place of it a marble tank, and to also improve the grounds around the spring.

Salem Statesman: The custom house officers here are making a tour of the city, continuing their duty by giving away cigar boxes on which the stamp has not been properly cancelled. One keeper became incensed because the officer cut the lids from all his empty boxes. He wanted them to fill up.

Walla Walla Union of the 18th inst: On the 8th of January Capt. W. H. Winters, 1st Cavalry, was in John Day's valley, in company of two companies of troops, escorting 200 Indian prisoners to Camp Harney, Idaho. He was waiting the arrival of 270 more Indians. These Indians are prisoners who were captured and gave themselves up last summer. It is understood that they are being moved to the Yakima reservation, and that Camp Harney is to be abandoned.

Says the Wheelock Star: On Friday last, Jack Epperson, formerly of this city, got into an altercation with a local lawyer named Thomas, at Groversville, Cal., in which the latter was killed by a shot from a Winchester rifle in the hands of Epperson. In his attempt to escape, Epperson was captured or five shots at the constable, who in return fired at Epperson, the shot taking effect in the leg. On Sunday J. Epperson, the young man's father, received a telegram in this city that his son had been captured and put in jail, and it was thought that he would not survive. Mr. Epperson's parents live in this city, and are highly respected citizens, and it is not surprising to find with them in this distress. It is reported that Jack had been drinking hard for several days previous to the commission of his desperate act.

TELEGRAPHIC.

PORT ROBERTSON, Neb., Jan. 22.—The Cheyenne Indian campaign has closed. On Monday Col. Evans with companies B and D, 3d Cavalry, found the rugeedies in a cliff town miles north of the stage road. They effected an easy and bloodless capture of the Red Cloud agency. Capt. Wessels, whose scouts accompanied this news to him, started on their trail with four companies of cavalry, and at noon they were camped near the mouth of a creek, and there captured twenty-three killed and seventeen wounded. It is supposed that some died of their wounds and others except d. Capt. Wessels was slightly wounded; the first sergeant of Co. E, 3d Cavalry, and about twenty were wounded; three of Wessels' command, a sergeant, farther and one private, killed.

NEW YORK, Jan. 23.—A London dispatch says that Capt. Adams at Cork reports slightly about the Cheyenne campaign. A ship on fire and a steamer well manned in the neighborhood. On going to the assistance of the vessel he was warned by the steamer to keep on his course or he would run aground, and he was told that he had seen, else he had better look out for himself on his next voyage.

PORT ROBERTSON, Neb., Jan. 23.—Those killed by Indians in the recent encounter are Sergeant T. G. Brown, Private Brown and Nelson, and a private, and seven Cheyenne prisoners, three squaws and four children, of whom three are wounded. Of the nine captured, one buck and one squaw died before reaching here. They were carefully searched and had two small knives found. Capt. Wessels' wound is very slight and those of Sergeants Ambrose and Reed, and Women's Dress (Indian scout), not dangerous. The board meets at this post tomorrow to make an investigation into the whole affair. It is composed of Maj. Evans, 3d Cavalry, and Lieut. Schuyler, aide-de-camp to Gen. Crook. The Indians now here are under strong guard and I will be taken to Fort Leavenworth. Private Hunt, Co. H, 3d Cavalry, who was wounded the day after the outbreak, died in the hospital to-day.

RAILROAD.—The citizens of Springfield, are agitating the railway question. A meeting was held at that place last evening for the purpose of talking up the matter and receiving subscriptions in aid of the proposed road, from Springfield to Salem. Considerable enthusiasm is manifested among those living on the proposed route. We should be glad to note its success, as every railway built will help to relieve the country of the monopoly, that now binds it down. A narrow gauge could undoubtedly be built from the head of the valley to Portland, for one-fourth of the amount that the O. & C. R. R. claim as their capital. A surveying party will leave Springfield Monday to make a preliminary survey of the line.—Oregonian Guard, Jan. 25th.

CHANGE OF TIME.—Last week the stage time between this city and Albany was changed to eight o'clock instead of half-past eight, A. M., as heretofore. The safest plan is to put your letters in the office in the evening. Eight o'clock comes pretty early these dark mornings. Mails north and south via Albany, close at 7:30 A. M. Letters written will do well to govern themselves accordingly.

TEMPERANCE.—We are in receipt of reliable information concerning the wonderful success of Dr. Watts in the temperance field. It will be borne in mind that he determined last fall, while at the State Fair, to devote three months in traveling and lecturing, gratis. His plan was formed to unite all persons in one common brotherhood, in an open order. The pledge is short, though comprehensive, and the blue ribbon is the badge or token of membership. On Puget Sound, and in Oregon, so far, four thousand persons have donned the Blue Ribbon. At every point visited a Blue Ribbon club has been organized. The Doctor is now at Brownsville and will pass to Scio, Jefferson, Turner's Station then to Salem by the 5th of February, where he intends holding a ten days' meeting, day and night, up to the time of the Alliance at Albany.

HARDING STILL LIVED.—He had been seen up in Oregon, by nephews and nieces who communicated the fact to their cousin, Harding's son, who immediately started on a journey up there to see if there was any truth in the story. He found his father in the flesh, but shockingly mangled and disfigured by the mine explosion. As soon as Mrs. Metcalf knew that her former husband was living, she took steps to have her marriage with Metcalf annulled, and such a decree has been entered. It is now probable she will institute proceedings for divorce from Harding for desertion, and then again be joined in wedlock to Metcalf, when freed from her former husband.

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